

Application No. 10/802,963
Attorney Docket 117.0010002
Amendment dated May 9, 2005

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Examiners Pope and Wu are thanked for their help in bringing this case to allowance. Applicant asserts that the amended claims are still in condition for allowance. The changes made above have been made to resolve two issues.

First, in the last amendment, the Applicant changed the term "processor" to "logic component" to broaden the claims out in that respect. However, the Applicant did not make the change with respect to all instances of the term in several dependent claims. Accordingly, the Applicant has herein amended the claims to harmonize the independent and dependent claims with respect to this language.

Second, Applicant believes the term "timed" creates an unintended limitation on the claims. In Applicant's final review of these claims, Applicant has realized this discrepancy and, accordingly, respectfully requests that the Examiner allow amendments to remove this term from the claims.

Based upon the discussions between Examiners Pope and Wu and the Applicant, Applicant asserts that these changes have no bearing on the patentability of the claims. Applicant also believes that such changes can be made without the case being brought out of allowance.

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Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (612) 236-0121 if the Examiner would like to discuss these amendments.

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